

Appl. No. 10/052,966  
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Amdt. dated 09-12-03  
Reply to Office Action of 08-04-03  
Customer No. 27752

Response to Restriction Requirement of Claims 1-24.

The Office Action states that restriction to one invention is required under 35 USC § 121. The Office has identified, as clarified by the Examiner by telephone on September 11, 2003, the following two inventions from which election is required:

- I. Claims 1-10, drawn to a compound and a process of preparing compound, classified in class 564, subclass 418.
- II. Claims 11-24, drawn to a hair dye product, a hair dye system and a process for preparing hair dye composition, classified in class 424, subclass 70.1.

Election

Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-10). Applicants reserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in one or more divisional applications.

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